sit down. Let the Home Minister find out what the fact is. Then he can come before the House and let us know about it. If the accusation is wrong, he will bring the facts before the House. That is all. That matter is closed now.

SHRI MD. SALIM: You cannot allow it to go on record. (Interruptions).

श्री सुरेश पचौरी : महोदया, यह एक गंभीर मामला है ।

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: After my ruling nobody should say anything. (Interruptions) Nothing is going on record. (Interruptions). I am not allowing (Interruptions). Mr. Vishvjit P. Singh, it is not proper. It is not proper to say anything after my ruling Whatever I have said, is final. That is all.

The whole business got derailed in this House. We have got a very important discussion on the GATT Treaty. I feel that all the Members are very keen to have a fruitful discussion on it. Before that, I would like to request the Minister to lay a copy of the statement on the Table of the House. The copies of the statement are being circulated to all the Members.

SHRI MISA R. GANESAN (Tamil Nadu): Madam...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It is a different statement. It is a different matter. Just a minute. I know we have very young Members in this House. They are very agitated most of the time. That statement would be made in the evening. This is regarding derailment. We are not derailing your statement.

उपसभापति : रेल राज्य-मंत्री श्री के. सी. लेंका । आप खाली कह दीजिए मैं सदन के पटल पर यह स्टेटमेंट रख रहा हूं । आप बोलिए कि सदन के पटल पर आपकी अनुमति से स्टेटमेंट रख रहा हूं ।

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Derailment of goods train on Kalyan-Lonavala Section of Central Railway on 7th March, 1994

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): Madam, I lay a copy of the Statement on the Table of the House.

SPECIAL MENTION

Demand to Amend the Delhi Rent Control Act

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now we can finish the Special Mentions because the Commerce Minister has to come. He didn't know how far we were going to get agitated on the issues concerning the Members. He came and he said that he would come back in five minutes. Until they, we cannot sit in vacum... (*Interruptions*) Mr. Chaturvedi, I think the issue that you want to raise should be referred to the Delhi Assembly.

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI: (Uttar Pradesh): Rent control does not come under the control of the State Assembly. I think the land is still with the Central Government.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Is it not with the State Assembly? Okay, then you speak.

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI: Madam Deputy Chairman, I want to draw your attention to a very important matter which relates to Delhi but which has wide implications. This is concerning an amendment to the Delhi Rent Control Act. This issue affects a very large number of people including widows old people retired officers, x-miltiary persons and so on. I would also like to mention that it also affects the law and order position

[Shri Triloki Nath Chaturvedi]

in Delhi. A large number of disputes between tne so-called tenants and the landless has clogged the courts in Delhi. That is why, in 1988, the Delhi Rent Control Act was amended. But, unfortunately, the purposes were rather negatived in the maze of legal complexities. The mounting discontent among the people and varius representations submitted by them to the Government persuaded the Government to amend this particular Act some time in 1992. And the Cabinet took a decision to that effect. But there was a hitch that it was a minority Government and if rent tribunals were to be provided for, then a Constitutional amendment would be required. Madam Deputy Chairperson, you will recall that this Constitutional Amendment was also passed by both the Houses unanimously last year as there was no difference of opinion among the various parties, so, all the parties cooperated with the Government. Earlier it was promised repeatedly by the Minister of State for Urban Development as well as the Cabinet Minister of Urban Development that as soon as the Constitutional Amendment Bill was passed, the Delhi Rent Control Bill would be suitably amended to provide for rent tribunals in Delhi and would be brought before Parliament. Madam, this Constitutional Amendment Bill has not only been passed but also 13 States have already ratified it. The President also accorded his approval on the 7th February. But, unfortunately, despitt repeated requests, this Bill, somehow or the other, has not been introduced. That is why my requests is that this Bill should be introduced early. It was mentioned to some of the representative groups which met the various Ministers and their Departmental Secretaries that this Bill was probably pending with the Ministry of Law, though the Minister of State for Urban Development, Mr. Thungon, had categorically said that the Bill was ready and that it would be introduced after the passage of the Constitution Amendment Bill. Madam, this amended Bill must be brought before the House at the earliest so that a speedy remedy is made available and the pending cases are cleared. Even the Chief Justices, in the recent Conferences, have said that the setting up of rent tribunal would facilitate the clearance of 75 per cent of the cases pending in the courts without much difficulty. That is why my request is that this Bill should be expedited. I spoke to the Law Minister yesterday and he was kind enough to assure me that if it had the priority of the Ministry of Urban Development, and even if some further amenlments were to be made, some trimming or modifications, were to be done, he would ensure that they were done early.

Along with this, I also request 2 P.M. that the Delhi Development (Amendment) Bill, 1993 (No. 177 of 1992) which is pending in Parliament should be passed immediately because otherwise the planned city of Delhi will turn into a slum city. This Bill is about illegal constructions. That is about illegal constructions. That is why my request, hrough you, is that the Delhi Rent Control Bill may be introduced speedily in Parliament so that a remedy will be available to the suffering people of Delhi.

Thank you, Madam.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I had introduced a Private Member's Bill to that effect. It lapsed because of my being elerted as the Deputy Chairman. I think I should resign and go back for that.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY (Andhra Pradesh): Madam, I have a suggestion to make.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: What is that?

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: We cannot wait for any Minister.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We have to wait.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: Why?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Otherwise, who is going to take the notes.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: That is true. That means are we slaves to wait for any Minister?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: No, the Minister came. Since there was pandemonium in the House, he said that he would bt coming again. Since we don't have the lunch hour today, how can you expect a Minister to sit here and take the notes. Do you expect him to eat in the House? The Members are free to go out and eat..

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: Then, are we expected to have our food in the House?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Let us have some consideration for the Ministers. If you agree that any of these two Ministers, who are present now in the House, can take notes, then we will start (*Interruptions*).

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: No, Madam. Therefore, I suggest that you fix a particular time for starting a debate on Dunkel, say 2.00 p.m. or 2.30 p.m., whatever it is.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Look, Mr. Jaipal Reddy. The problem is that it is not in my hands. I would have agreed to have it at 12.30 p.m. But did I know what was going to be discussed in the other House?

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: We also are having some other business. While the Minister deals with one portfolio, we deal with all portfolios. Therefore, we are far more busy.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Why do you want to waste my time? Let me continue with the Special Mentions. Let these Special Mentions be finished.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: Now I want to go. When should I come back? You fix the time.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR (Uttar Pradesh): Why the Ministers are not getting well-fed by the Government?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I am sorry. I must tell you that we have many Zero Hour submissions. You call them Zero Hour Special Mentions which I don't recognise as such.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: You fix the time.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: How can I fix it? It is for the Members. If you are speaking saying that you will take only half-a-minute, as a leader of the party, I have to allow you even if you speak for more time. Similarly, there were agitated issues. While you are agitated, the Minister has arrived.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY: Now, you fix some time.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I am fixing the time now itself. We will take up Special Mentions if the House so agrees.

AN HON. MEMBER: We will take up the Short-Duration discussion.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Okay, fine. It is all right. You have your Special Mention.

SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN (Tamil Nadu): Because you are sitting in the Opposition benches!

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): They are creating so much confusion.

DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI (Uttar Pradesh): Madam, I would suggest that Dunkel should be taken up.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Mr. Mukherjee, you are not properly fed by the Government. The hon. Deputy Chairman was saying that you had gone to take meals. We all sympathise with you.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I felt that the Ministers were not expected to sit here in the lunch hour. Okay, we are

starting the Short-Duration Discussion moved by Shri S. Jaipal Reddy.

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA (Bihar): Madam, what happened to the Special Mentions?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The Members say that we will have it after the Short-Duration Discussion.

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: No, Madam. Let us finish the Special Mentions.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now you decide with your party people.

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: This is not a party matter, Madam.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Let us agree. Let us have the Short-Duration Discussion regarding the GATT Treaty as moved by Shri Jaipal Reddy. I call upon Mr. Jaipal Reddy. Sorry, Mr. Malhotra, are you moving? I thought it was Mr. Jaipal Reddy. आप कहां जा रहे है ?

विपक्ष के नेता (श्री सिकन्दर बख्त) : वह आगे आना चाहते हैं ।

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We allow the people to come to the front benches when there are no mikes. If you have a proper mike, you can speak from your own seat. It is your dignity to speak from your own seat. If you are not heard, then I will allow you to come to the front benches.

SHORT DURATION DISCUSSION

Formulation of our Country's Final Decision on the GATT Treaty

प्रो० विजय कुमार मल्होत्रा (दिल्ली) : उपसभापति महोदया, मैं एकऐसे प्रश्न पर विचार के लिए, बहस के लिए प्रस्तुत हुआ है, जो इस देश के लिए अत्यंत महत्वपूर्ण है । यह हमारे जीवन और मरण का प्रश्न है । यह प्रश्न तय करेगा कि हमारे देश की प्रभुसत्ता रहेगी या नहीं, यह प्रश्न यह तय करेगा कि हमारी स्वतंत्रता कायम रहेगी या हम विदेशी इशारों पर नाचने वाले गुलाम बन करके रह जाएंगे । उपसभापति महोदया, हमारे लिए दुर्भाग्य की बात यह है कि 35 दिन के बाद हमारी सरकार अपनी इस बरबादी के दस्तावेज पर हस्ताक्षर करने जा रही है । मैं इस प्रश्न को यहां रखना चाहता हूं कि वित्त मंत्री जी ने अपने बजट भाषण को प्रारम्भ करते हुए यह कहा था कि :

"लम्हों ने गलती की और सदियों ने सजा भुगती"

उपसभापति महोदया, यह लम्हे कौन से थे, यह गलती कौन सी थी, यह गलती किन लोगों ने की यह जरूर उनको बताना चाहिए था कल हमारे प्रधान मंत्री जी ने बड़े गर्व से यहां पर कहा कि हमने 7 मेगा पॉवर प्रोजेक्टों को मंजूरी दी है । उन्होंने कहा कि यह एक एतिहासिक बात है कि हमने अरबों और खरबों रुपए की विदेशी कम्पनियों को हिन्दुस्तान में आने के लिए वहां पर तैयार किया है । परन्तु जब पॉवर प्रोजेक्टों का राष्ट्रीयकरण किया गया था, जब पावर डिस्ट्रीब्यूशन का भी राष्ट्रीयकरण कर दिया गया था तब भी इसी प्रकार तालियां बजाई गई थी जैसा कि कल कांग्रेस के सदस्यों ने यहां पर तालियां बजाई । जब बैंकों का राष्ट्रीयकरण किया गया तब यहां पर तालियां बजाकर और सारे देश में बैंकों के राष्ट्रीयकरण के पक्ष में बहुत जोर से आवाज उठाई गई और जो लोग बैंकों के राष्ट्रीयकरण का उस समय विरोध कर रहे थे उनको गालियां दी गई, उनको देशद्रोह तक कहा गया । उनसे कहा गया कि यह शोषण करने वाले हैं । जब यहां बैंकों का निजीकरण करने का प्रस्ताव आया तब भी उसका बड़े जोर से स्वागत किया गया । उपसभापति महोदया, इसी तरह से इंश्योरेंस को प्राईवेटाईजेशन करने की मल्होत्रा कमेटी की जो सिफारिशें हैं, मनमोहन सिंह जी ने कहा कि तीन महीने